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## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-3, 5-7, 9-16, 22, 25, 26, 64, 66, 68-70, and 73-92 are pending in the present application. As stated above, the status of claims 54-56 are hereby clarified. To the extent that claims 54-56 are still pending (and were not canceled), these claims are hereby canceled.

Claims 54-56 were previously canceled (see Request for Continued Examination filed 6/24/2003), but notation thereof in the Listings of Claims was omitted. A new List of Claims including the indication of previously canceled claims 54-56 is provided. As appropriate, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment reflecting the cancellation of claims 54-56 and the inclusion of the attached allowable claims.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

No fee is believed to be due at this time. If the appropriate Petition for an Extension of Time is not attached hereto (or any other Petition required of the application), this statement shall serve as Applicants' Petition to the U.S.P.T.O. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments related to this response to Deposit Account No. 50-0997 (STDL-P02054US1), maintained by Paula D. Morris & Associates, P.C. d/b/a The Morris Law Firm, P.C..

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The undersigned is available for consultation at any time, if the Examiner believes such consultation may expedite the resolution of any issues.

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